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## REQUEST TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

The Official Action of October 4, 2006 in the Office Action Summary item 12(c) first acknowledges applicants' claim for benefit of priority but states that "none" of the priority documents have been received. In fact, a certified copy of the priority document was submitted to the U.S. PTO on January 5, 2004. As proof of this I attach a true and correct copy of the postcard receipt dated January 5, 2004 so indicating a certified copy was attached as well as a copy of the transmittal letter of that date as well as copies of the first two pages of the priority document itself.

Reviewing the electronic file of this application I notice a submission dated January 5, 2005 (mis)described as a "Foreign Reference/Prior Art" comprising 71 pages. This is, in fact, a certified copy of the priority document. I have printed the first 2 pages of that document and attach them to this request. It appears to be clear that the certified copy was filed, received and placed in the electronic file but miss-described as a Foreign Reference and not as a priority document.

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It is counsel's understanding that applicants have done everything necessary to complete their claim for benefit of priority. It is not acknowledged in the Notice of Allowability. A new Notice of Allowability acknowledging receipt of the priority document is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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